

FIRST READERS IN HOUSE
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2016
FOURTEENTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

[HB 879.](#)

By Representatives Taylor of the 79th, Reeves of the 34th, Stephens of the 164th, and Beskin of the 54th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary educational programs, so as to provide for the issuance of a seal of biliteracy for high school graduates who have achieved a high level of proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing one or more languages in addition to English; to provide for criteria; to provide for participation; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM

[HB 880.](#)

By Representatives Spencer of the 180th and Corbett of the 174th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for a new charter for the City of St. Marys, Georgia, approved April 9, 1981 (Ga. L. 1981, p. 4763), as amended, so as to provide for the manner of election of the mayor and council; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -
LOCAL

[HB 881.](#)

By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Fleming of the 121st, Kelley of the 16th, Oliver of the 82nd, Evans of the 42nd, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to adoption, so as to substantially revise the general provisions applicable to adoptions; to change the requirements for adopting children; to provide for adoption of foreign-born children; to provide for a waiver to withdraw a surrender of rights; to change the age for individuals to access the Adoption Reunion Registry; to revise and provide for forms; to provide for the annulment of an adoption under certain circumstances; to amend Code Section 15-11-320 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to termination of parental rights, so as to correct a cross-reference; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUVENILE JUSTICE